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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed May 19, 2004 and the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed June 22, 2005, Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to an Office Action dated August 18, 2005 from the Korean Patent Office with respect to Korean Patent Application No. 10-2004-0012531 which is a family member of the present application. In the Korean Office Action the following document is cited:

U.S. Patent No. 5,484,469 (RUTZ et al.), January 16, 1996.

The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which the cited document is relevant, as ascertained by the Korean Examiner are set forth in the enclosed Korean Office Action.

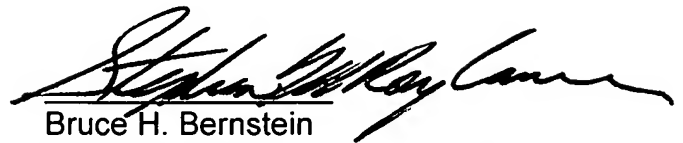
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. A copy of the Korean Office Action and an English language translation thereof are enclosed together with a Form PTO-1449 listing these documents as well as the cited U.S. patent. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to partially waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i), a copy of the U.S. patent cited above is not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, and thus no fee is required to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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